

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

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DATE

February 03, 2022

MOTOR CARRIER MATTER

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DOCKET NO.

2021-363-E

UTILITIES MATTER

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ORDER NO.

SUBJECT:

DOCKET NO. 2021-363-E - Valli Finney, Complainant/Petitioner v Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Defendant/Respondent - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Motion to Dismiss Complaint and Request for Confidential Treatment of Certain Portions of the Motion.

COMMISSION ACTION:

With regard to this Complaint matter, the Complainant's household account was on an Equal Payment Plan before the account was erroneously modified by Duke Energy Progress. Commission records indicate that at least some of existing customers' Equal Payment Plan (EPP) accounts were "grandfathered" after the Company substituted the Budget Billing Plan, including Ms. Finney's account. The issue of whether any benefit or difference has been improperly removed from the Complainant by removing the household account from the Equal Payment Plan is remaining. Therefore, I move that the Commission deny the Motion to Dismiss.

I further move that the Commission set the matter for hearing before the full Commission and request that the Clerk's Office set the matter for hearing at the earliest available time. I also believe that the Commission, through this motion, should encourage the parties to discuss whether resolution may be reached before the scheduled hearing, since it appears that at least one portion of the requested relief may be a return to the legacy equal payment plan arrangement.

Finally, I move that the Commission grant the request for confidential treatment of the confidential version of the Motion to Dismiss and its exhibits, as the motion and exhibits contain customer-specific account information.

PRESIDING: J. WilliamsSESSION: RegularTIME: 2:00 p.m.

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CASTON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room
ERVIN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Voting via WebEx
POWERS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Present in Hearing Room

THOMAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. WILLIAMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J. WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding